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## Meeting Summary of the SANBAG Board of Directors

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### ■ Board chooses design contractor for I-10 widening

Board members approved hiring Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas for engineering services for the widening of Interstate 10 in Redlands.

The \$3.8 million contract will require the San Bernardino-based firm to perform design for the final construction plans of the project, which involves widening the freeway from three lanes to four lanes, both eastbound and westbound, between Orange Street and Ford Street. The new lanes will be inserted next to the center median, and 11 bridges will be widened as well.

Work is expected to start in 2004. This project will follow the completion of a truck-climbing lane between Ford Street in Redlands and Live Oak Canyon Road in Yucaipa. Both projects are partially funded by Measure I, San Bernardino County's half-cent transportation sales tax.

### ■ SANBAG seeking proposals for truck, RV counts

Qualified firms are invited to submit proposals for counting large trucks and recreational vehicles to gather data that may lead to future improvements on desert highways. San Bernardino County highways to be included in the counts are Interstates 15 and 40; State Routes 18, 62 and 247; and U.S. Highway 395.

The data collected, using automatic counters, will be incorporated into regional traffic models. This information will help quantify common truck routes and truck and military vehicle patterns that may be the cause of traffic congestion on identified highways.

### ■ Employees recognized for service to SANBAG

Two SANBAG employees were honored for long-time service to the agency. Senior Programming Analyst Lisa Poe was awarded for 10 years with SANBAG; Miki Ewens, accounting assistant III, was recognized for her five years of service. Both



received pins to mark their accomplishment.

Pictured from left:  
Executive Director Norm King, Board President Bill Postmus and honorees Lisa Poe and Miki Ewens

### ■ SANBAG seeks grant to study 10, 210, 60 freeways

SANBAG, Caltrans and SCAG will team up to submit a grant application to secure \$300,000 in state funding to analyze how area freeways can improve the movement of goods and commuters.

If awarded, the grant will allow the agencies to study east-west freeway corridors along Interstate 10, State Route 210 and State Route 60 in the Inland Empire and Los Angeles County.

The study will concentrate on needed infrastructure improvements, the use of Intelligent Transportation System strategies to move traffic more efficiently, optimizing transit service and examining truck lanes. This study also would coordinate with others that are in the early stages, such as the I-15 Comprehensive Study, the National I-10 Freight Corridor Study and the Ontario International Airport Ground Access Study.

SANBAG's 20 percent share of the matching funds would be negotiated, but is expected to be no more than \$75,000.



### Down the Road ...

- State Route 210 to open this month
- Nov. 13: Administrative Committee, 9 a.m.
- Nov. 14: Major Projects Committee, 9 a.m.
- Nov. 15: Mountain/Desert Committee, 9 a.m.,  
Tour of Riverwalk Project
- Nov. 20: Plans & Programs Committee, 12 noon

## Metrolink Holiday Toy Express begins spreading joy Nov. 23 Santa's special train to visit 45 stations, help firefighters collect toys for needy children

For the sixth year, Santa is trading in his sleigh for a 450-ton Metrolink train. The 2002 Holiday Toy Express, standing more than 15 feet high and sparkling with oversized garlands and animated lighted displays, will begin visiting southern California Metrolink stations on November 23.

This month's issue of "Measuring Success" takes a look at this heart warming Metrolink tradition and provides a schedule of when to see the Holiday Toy Express in action. Even better, why not bring an unwrapped toy to help the area's neediest children?

### What is the Holiday Toy Express?

The Holiday Toy Express, a special Metrolink train, will stop at 45 stations located along Metrolink's San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, Orange County and Antelope Valley lines. The stops will feature a free, live-action holiday musical production on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings from November 23 through December 22.

Families are invited to come to their local station, meet Santa and his friends and enjoy an all-new holiday production. In this year's show, Santa meets one of his admirers ... from outer space!

"Community members are invited to join the festivities," said Mike Bair, SANBAG's director of transit/rail programs. "This is one more example of Metrolink serving the needs of our county and the southland."

### Spark of Love

Metrolink is again joining forces with firefighters from San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, Los Angeles and Ventura counties in the Spark of Love Toy Drive. At each station stop (see schedule at right), visitors are encouraged to get into the holiday spirit by bringing new unwrapped toys and sports equipment. Firefighters will be on hand to collect the toys. During the past years, this drive has collected more than 850,000 toys for needy children. This year marks the ninth annual Spark of Love drive.



Photos: Above - The Metrolink Toy Express Train includes a live-action holiday musical featuring costumed actors, including a giant snowman. Above right - More than 50,000 lights decorate the holiday train, which helps firefighters collect toys for needy children.



### Holiday Toy Express Train Schedule

Please refer to the following schedule for train stops closest to this area. For a complete schedule, call (800) 371-LINK or visit the Metrolink website at [www.metrolinktrains.com](http://www.metrolinktrains.com).

- November 23: Ceremonial lighting and media event, Anaheim Metrolink Station, 2150 E. Katella Avenue, 5:45 p.m.; Orange Station, 6:45 p.m.; Santa Ana, 7:35 p.m.; Fullerton, 8:35 p.m.
- November 24: Downtown Riverside Station, 5:15 p.m.; Riverside-La Sierra, 6:05 p.m.; North Main Corona, 6:55 p.m.; Norwalk, 8:15 p.m.
- November 30: Pedley Station, 5:20 p.m.; East Ontario, 6:10 p.m.; Downtown Pomona, 6:50 p.m.; Industry, 7:40 p.m.; Montebello, 8:30 p.m.
- December 1: El Monte Station, 5:15 p.m.; Baldwin Park, 6:10 p.m.; Covina, 6:55 p.m.; Montclair, 8 p.m.; Claremont, 8:30 p.m.
- December 7: Rialto Station, 5:20 p.m.; San Bernardino, 6 p.m.; Fontana, 7:05 p.m.; Rancho Cucamonga, 7:45 p.m.; Upland, 8:30 p.m.